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The meeting was called to order at 10.05 a.m.

Agenda item 67: Promotion and protection of the rights of children (*continued*) (A/C.3/60/L.18 and L.19)

Draft resolution A/C.3/60/L.18: The girl child

1. **Ms. Muuondjo** (Namibia), introducing the draft resolution on behalf of the original sponsors as well as Cape Verde, Kenya, Morocco, Nigeria, Panama, Paraguay and Peru, said that the issue of fistula had been included in the draft resolution, as it affected the mortality and morbidity of young women, particularly in sub-Saharan Africa, where health care was rudimentary.

2. **The Chairman** announced that Belarus, Belize, Cameroon, Chile, China, Colombia, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Eritrea, Ghana, Guatemala, Indonesia, Jamaica, Kyrgyzstan, Mali, Mongolia and the Philippines had also joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Draft resolution A/C.3/60/L.19: The situation of and assistance to Palestinian children

3. **Mr. Afifi** (Egypt), introducing the draft resolution on behalf of the original sponsors as well as Belize, Brunei Darussalam, China, the Comoros, Indonesia, Iraq, Jordan, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya and Pakistan, said that minor changes had been made to the text. The draft resolution, which was particularly relevant in the light of the continuing dire situation in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, would help to alleviate the suffering of and send a clear message of hope to Palestinian children.

4. **The Chairman** announced that Bangladesh, Burkina Faso, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, Namibia, Qatar, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) and Zimbabwe had also joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Agenda item 62: Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family (*continued*) (A/C.3/60/L.3/Rev.1)

Draft resolution A/C.3/60/L.3/Rev.1: Implementation of the World Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons: realizing the Millennium Development Goals for persons with disabilities

5. **The Chairman** said that the draft resolution had no programme budget implications.

6. **Mr. Banzon** (Philippines), orally revising the revised draft resolution, said that the word "progress" should replace "work" in the seventh preambular paragraph. In addition, Andorra, Argentina, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Estonia, Finland, France, Hungary, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Latvia, Malta, Monaco, Nigeria, Norway, Paraguay, Portugal and San Marino had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

7. **The Chairman** announced that Albania, Algeria, Bangladesh, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Cape Verde, China, Chile, Colombia, Côte d'Ivoire, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Egypt, El Salvador, Eritrea, Germany, Greece, Guatemala, France, Iceland, Italy, Jamaica, Jordan, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Lithuania, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Namibia, New Zealand, the Republic of Moldova, Senegal, Serbia and Montenegro, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Spain, Tunisia, Turkey, Ukraine, the United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Zambia and Zimbabwe had also joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

8. *Draft resolution A/C.3/60/L.3/Rev.1, as orally revised, was adopted.*

9. **Ms. Garcia-Matos** (Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela) said that her delegation had not joined the sponsors of the draft resolution because it had reservations concerning the reference to the 2005 World Summit Outcome in the third preambular paragraph. Her delegation considered the Outcome to be a working paper and in no way binding on Member States.

Agenda item 63: Follow-up to the International Year of Older Persons: Second World Assembly on Ageing (*continued*) (A/C.3/60/L.2)

Draft resolution A/C.3/60/L.2: Follow-up to the Second World Assembly on Ageing

10. **The Chairman** said that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

11. **Ms. Bowen** (Jamaica), speaking on behalf of the Group of 77 and China, said that Azerbaijan, Estonia, Japan, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Mexico and San Marino had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution. In the fourth preambular paragraph, the phrase "which limits the scope of implementation efforts" should be inserted after the word "non-existent".

12. **The Chairman** announced that Albania, Andorra, Austria, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Canada, Croatia, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Latvia, Malta, Monaco, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, the Republic of Moldova, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Turkey, Ukraine and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland had also joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

13. *Draft resolution A/C.3/60/L.2, as orally revised, was adopted.*

Agenda item 64: Advancement of women (*continued*) (A/C.3/60/L.12)

Draft resolution A/C.3/60/L.12: In-depth study on all forms of violence against women

14. **The Chairman** said that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

15. **Mr. Bertoux** (France) said that Benin, Cameroon, Cape Verde, Colombia, the Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Israel, Kenya, Nigeria, Paraguay and Serbia and Montenegro had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

16. **The Chairman** announced that Albania, Angola, Armenia, Bolivia, Botswana, Bulgaria, Dominica, Eritrea, Guyana, Iraq, Kazakhstan, Malawi, Micronesia (Federated States of), Monaco, Mongolia, Namibia, the Republic of Moldova, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Ukraine and Zambia had also joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

17. *Draft resolution A/C.3/60/L.12, as orally revised, was adopted.*

18. **Mr. Bertoux** (France) said that the consensus reached on the draft resolution showed a determination to end the intolerable phenomenon of violence against women. The Secretary-General should spare no effort to ensure that the study served as a milestone and guide for States for years to come. It was in that spirit that France and the Netherlands as well as others had given financial support for the study. His delegation noted with satisfaction the widespread political support for the study as well, which was shown by the broad backing of the draft resolution by representatives of all the world's countries and cultures.

Agenda item 106: Crime prevention and criminal justice (*continued*) (A/C.3/60/L.10)

Draft resolution A/C.3/60/L.10: United Nations African Institute for the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders

19. **The Chairman** said that the draft resolution had no programme budget implications and that Angola had joined the sponsors of the draft resolution.

20. *Draft resolution A/C.3/60/L.10 was adopted.*

Draft resolution A/C.3/60/L.11/Rev.1: Follow-up to the Eleventh United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice

21. **The Chairman** said that the draft resolution had no programme budget implications.

22. **The Secretary** read out minor revisions to the text.

23. **Ms. Laohaphan** (Thailand), speaking on behalf of the sponsors, said that Austria, Cambodia, Cape Verde, Guatemala, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Mexico, Singapore, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, the United States of America and Zambia had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution. With the political will of the Member States and the international community, the Bangkok Declaration would serve as a solid foundation for future measures and actions that should be undertaken to prevent and combat crime in all its dimensions. She appealed to all Member States for their support in sponsoring and

adopting the resolution in order to maximize its impact in preventing and combating the global problem of crime and terrorism.

24. **The Chairman** said that Albania, Algeria, Angola, Burkina Faso, the Congo, the Gambia, Greece, Haiti, Italy, Malawi, Mali, Mongolia, Peru, the Sudan, Turkey, the United Republic of Tanzania and Zimbabwe had joined the sponsors of the draft resolution.

25. *Draft resolution A/C.3/60/L.11/Rev.1 was adopted.*

Agenda item 107: International drug control (*continued*) (A/C.3/60/L.9/Rev.1)

Draft resolution A/C.3/60/L.9/Rev.1: International cooperation against the world drug problem

26. **The Secretary** said that should the Committee adopt the draft resolution contained in A/C.3/60/L.9/Rev.1, there would be no requirement for additional appropriations as the necessary expenses would be accommodated within existing resources.

27. **Ms. Feller** (Mexico) said that Algeria, Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, the Bahamas, Belgium, Belize, Bolivia, Brazil, Brunei Darussalam, Canada, Cape Verde, Costa Rica, Croatia, Cuba, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Denmark, the Dominican Republic, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, India, Ireland, Italy, Kyrgyzstan, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Malta, Monaco, Morocco, Mauritius, the Netherlands, Norway, Paraguay, Poland, Portugal, Romania, San Marino, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, the Sudan, Sweden, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the United States of America, Uruguay and Viet Nam had joined the sponsors of the draft resolution.

28. **The Chairman** said that Albania, Angola, Armenia, Bangladesh, Barbados, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Botswana, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Cambodia, Cameroon, the Comoros, the Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Eritrea, the Gambia, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Haiti, Jamaica, Jordan, Kenya, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, Latvia, Madagascar, Malawi, Malaysia, Micronesia (Federated States of), Mongolia, Mozambique, Namibia, Nigeria, the Republic of Moldova, Saint Lucia, Senegal, Spain, Ukraine, the United Republic of Tanzania, Zambia and Zimbabwe had also joined the sponsors of the draft resolution.

29. *Draft resolution A/C.3/60/L.9/Rev.1 was adopted.*

30. **Ms. Shestack** (United States of America) said that, according to the regulations and rules governing programme planning and the programme aspects of the budget, the Secretary-General and the heads of departments and offices should make every effort to find offsets in the event of additional costs. While the Secretariat had assured the Committee that the adoption of the resolution would not create any requirement in the current biennium for additional appropriations, some were expected in the future. She trusted that the Fifth Committee and the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions would give the matter due consideration.

31. **Ms. Garcia-Matos** (Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela) said that her delegation had not sponsored draft resolution A/C.3/60/L.9/Rev.1 because the second preambular paragraph contained a reference to the 2005 World Summit Outcome. Her delegation considered that document to be a working paper which was in no way binding on its Government.

32. **Mr. Cumberbach** (Cuba) requested the Secretariat to circulate a written version of its statement on the financial and budget implications of the draft resolution so that the delegations could fully understand the consequences of its adoption.

The meeting rose at 11.20 a.m.